This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

(CURRENTLY AMENDED) A composition comprising a pharmaceutically acceptable formulation of formula 1

$$R_6$$
 N_1
 N_2
 N_3

Formula 1

wherein R₃ is C₁-C₁₀ alkyl; R₄ to R₇ are independently selected from the group consisting of -H. C1-C10 alkoxyl, C1-C10 polyalkoxyalkyl, C1-C20 polyhydroxyalkyl, C5-C20 polyhydroxyaryl, saccharides, amino, cyano, nitro, halogen, hydrophilic peptides, arylpolysulfonates, C1-C10 alkyl. C1-C10 aryl, -SO₃T, -CO₂T, -OH, -(CH₂)_aSO₃T, -(CH₂)_aOSO₃T, -(CH₂)_aNHSO₃T, -(CH₂)_aCO₂(CH₂)_bSO₃T, -(CH₂)_aOCO(CH₂)_bSO₃T, -(CH₂)_aCONH(CH₂)_bSO₃T, -(CH2)aNHCO(CH2)bSO3T, -(CH2)aNHCONH(CH2)bSO3T, -(CH2)aNHCSNH(CH2)bSO3T, -(CH₂)_aOCONH(CH₂)_bSO₃T, -(CH₂)_aPO₃HT, -(CH₂)_aPO₃T₂, -(CH₂)_aOPO₃HT, -(CH₂)_aOPO₃T₂, -(CH₂)_aNHPO₃HT, -(CH₂)_aNHPO₃T₂, -(CH₂)_aCO₂(CH₂)_bPO₃HT, -(CH₂)_aCO₂(CH₂)_bPO₃T₂, -(CH₂)_aOCO(CH₂)_bPO₃HT, -(CH₂)_aOCO(CH₂)_bPO₃T₂, -(CH₂)_aCONH(CH₂)_bPO₃HT, -(CH₂)_aCONH(CH₂)_bPO₃T₂, -(CH₂)_aNHCO(CH₂)_bPO₃HT, -(CH₂)_aNHCO(CH₂)_bPO₃T₂, -(CH2)aNHCONH(CH2)APO3HT, -(CH2)aNHCONH(CH2)APO3T2, -(CH2)aNHCSNH(CH2)APO3HT, - $(CH_2)_aNHCSNH(CH_2)_bPO_3T_2$, $-(CH_2)_aOCONH(CH_2)_bPO_3HT$, $-(CH_2)_aOCONH(CH_2)_bPO_3T_2$, -CHo(CHo-O-CHo), -CHo-OH, -(CHo), -COoT, -CHo-(CHo-O-CHo), -CHo-COoT, -(CHo), -NHo, -CHo-(CH2-O-CH2)a-CH2-NH2, -(CH2)b-N(Ra)-(CH2)i-CO2T, and -(CH2)i-N(Rb)-CH2-(CH2-O-CH2)k-CH2-CO₂T: Y₁ is independently selected from the group consisting of C1-C10 polyalkoxyalkyl, C1-C20 polyhydroxyalkyl, C5-C20 polyhydroxyaryl, saccharides, C1-C10 aminoalkyl, hydrophilic peptides, arvipolysulfonates, C1-C10 arvi, -(CH2)_SO2T,-(CH2)_OSO3T, -(CH2)_NHSO3T, -(CH₂)_aCO₂(CH₂)_bSO₃T, -(CH₂)_aOCO(CH₂)_bSO₃T, -(CH₂)_aCONH(CH₂)_bSO₃T, -(CH₂)_aNHCO(CH₂)_bSO₃T, -(CH₂)_aNHCONH(CH₂)_bSO₃T, -(CH₂)_aNHCSNH(CH₂)_bSO₃T, -(CH₂)_aOCONH(CH₂)_bSO₃T, -(CH₂)_aPO₃HT, -(CH₂)_aPO₃T₂, -(CH₂)_aOPO₃HT, -(CH₂)_aOPO₃T₂, -(CH₂)_aNHPO₃HT, -(CH₂)_aNHPO₃T₂, -(CH₂)_aCO₂(CH₂)_bPO₃HT, -(CH₂)_aCO₂(CH₂)_bPO₃T₂, -(CH₂)_aOCO(CH₂)_bPO₃HT, -(CH₂)_aOCO(CH₂)_bPO₃T₂, -(CH₂)_aCONH(CH₂)_bPO₃HT, -(CH₀)_aCONH(CH₀)_bPO₃T₀, -(CH₀)_aNHCO(CH₀)_bPO₃HT, -(CH₀)_aNHCO(CH₀)_bPO₃T₀,

-(CH₂)₂NHCONH(CH₂)₂PO₃HT, -(CH₂)₂NHCONH(CH₂)₂PO₃T₂, -(CH₂)₃NHCSNH(CH₂)₂PO₃HT, -(CH₂)₃NHCSNH(CH₂)₂PO₃T₂, -(CH₂)₃OCONH(CH₂)₂PO₃HT, -(CH₂)₃OCONH(CH₂)₂PO₃T₂, -CH₂(CH₂-C-C-H₂) - CH₂-CH₂ -(CH₂-C-C-H₂-CH₂-C-C-H₂-CH₂-C-C-H₂-CH₂-

$$\begin{split} & \text{CH}_2(\text{CH}_2\text{-O-CH}_2)_c\text{-CH}_2\text{-OH}, -(\text{CH}_2\text{-CG}_2\text{-T}, -\text{CH}_2\text{-}(\text{CH}_2\text{-O-CH}_2)_o\text{-CH}_2, -\text{CO}_2\text{-T}, -(\text{CH}_2\text{-I}, \text{NH}_2, -\text{CH}_2\text{-CH}_2, -\text{CH}_2\text{-CH}_2)_o\text{-CH}_2, -\text{CH}_2\text{-CH}_2\text$$

2-3. (CANCELLED)

 (WITHDRAWN) A method for performing a diagnostic procedure which comprises administering to an individual an effective amount of a composition comprising formula 1

$$R_6$$
 R_7
 R_7
 R_7
 R_7

Formula 1

wherein R_3 to R_7 , and Y_1 are independently selected from the group consisting of -H, C1-C10 alkoxyl, C1-C10 polyalkoxyalkyl, C1-C20 polyhydroxyalkyl, C5-C20 polyhydroxyaryl, saccharides, amino, C1-C10 aminoalkyl, cyano, nitro, halogen, hydrophilic peptides, arylpolysulfonates, C6-C10 alkyl, C1-C10 aminoalkyl, cyano, nitro, halogen, hydrophilic peptides, arylpolysulfonates, C6-C10 alkyl, C1-C10 aryl, $-SO_3T$, $-CO_2T$, -OH, $-(CH_2)_aSO_3T$, $-(CH_2)_aSO_3T$, -

independently vary from 1-10; c, e, g, and k independently vary from 1-100; R_a , R_b , R_c , and R_d are defined in the same manner as Y_t ; T is either H or a negative charge.

- 5. (WITHDRAWN) The method for performing the diagnostic or therapeutic procedure of claim 4 which comprises administering to an individual an effective amount of the composition wherein R₃ to R₇, and Y₁ are independently selected from the group consisting of C1-C5 alkoxyl, C1-C5 polyalkoxyalkyl, C1-C10 polyhydroxyalkyl, C5-C20 polyhydroxyaryl, mono- and disaccharides, nitro, hydrophilic peptides, arylpolysulfonates, C1-C10 aryl, -SO₃T, -CO₂T, -OH, -(CH₂)_aSO₃T, -(CH₂)_aSO₃T, -(CH₂)_aNHSO₃T, -(CH₂)_aCO₂(CH₂)_bSO₃T, -(CH₂)_aCO(CH₂)_bSO₃T, -(C
- 6. (WITHDRAWN) The method for performing the diagnostic or therapeutic procedure of claim 5 which comprises administering to an individual an effective amount of the composition wherein each R₃, R₄, R₆ and R₇ is H, R₅ is SO₃T, Y₁ is -(CH₂)₂SO₃T; W₁ is -C(CH₃)₂; T is a negative charge.
- 7. (WITHDRAWN) The method of claim 4 wherein said procedure utilizes light of wavelength in the region of 350-1300 nm.
- (WITHDRAWN) The method of claim 4 wherein said diagnostic procedure comprises monitoring a blood clearance profile by fluorescence wherein light of wavelength in the region of 350 to 1300 nm is utilized.
- (WITHDRAWN) The method of claim 4 wherein said diagnostic procedure comprises
 monitoring a blood clearance profile by absorption wherein light of wavelength in the region of
 350 to 1300 nm is utilized.
- 10. (WITHDRAWN) The method of claim 4 wherein said procedure is for physiological function monitoring.
- 11. (WITHDRAWN) The method of claim 10 wherein the diagnostic procedure is for renal function monitoring.

- 12. (WITHDRAWN) The method of claim 10 wherein the diagnostic procedure is for cardiac function monitoring.
- 13. (WITHDRAWN) The method of claim 10 wherein the diagnostic procedure is for kidney function monitoring.
- 14. (WITHDRAWN) The method of claim 10 wherein the diagnostic procedure is for determining organ perfusion in vivo.
- 15. (CANCELLED)
- 16. (WITHDRAWN) A method for performing a diagnostic procedure which comprises administering to an individual an effective amount of formula 1

$$R_6$$
 R_7
 R_7
 R_8

Formula 1

wherein R_3 to R_7 , and Y_1 are independently selected from the group consisting of -H, C1-C10 alkoxyl, C1-C10 polyalkoxyalkyl, C1-C20 polyhydroxyalkyl, C5-C20 polyhydroxyaryl, saccharides, amino, C1-C10 aminoalkyl, cyano, nitro, halogen, hydrophilic peptides, arylpolysulfonates, C6-C10 alkyl, C1-C10 arrinoalkyl, cyano, nitro, halogen, hydrophilic peptides, arylpolysulfonates, C6-C10 alkyl, C1-C10 arryl, -SO_3T, -CC2T, -OH, -(CH2)_aSO_3T, -(CH2)_aSO_3T, -(CH2)_aNHSO_3T, -(CH2)_aSO_3T, -(CH2)_3SO_3T, -(CH2)_3SO

- CO_2T ; W_1 is selected from the group consisting of -CR_eR_d, -O-, -NR_e, and -S-; a, b, d, f, h, i, and j independently vary from 1-10; c, e, g, and k independently vary from 1-100; R_a, R_e, R_e, and R_d are defined in the same manner as Y_1 ; T is either H or a negative charge; with the proviso that when W_1 is -S-, R_r, R_{re} not -H or C1-C10 alkvl; and Y_1 is not -H.
- 17. (NEW) The composition of claim 1 wherein R₃ is C₁ alkyl.
- 18. (NEW) The composition of claim 17 wherein Y_1 is selected from the group consisting of $-(CH_2)_aNHSO_3T$, $-CH_2\cdot(CH_2\cdot O-CH_2)_a\cdot CH_2\cdot NH_2$, and $-(CH_2)_b\cdot N(R_a)\cdot (CH_2)_i\cdot CO_2T$.
- (NEW) The composition of claim 17 wherein each of R₁ to R₂ is independently -H or -SO₃T.
- (NEW) The composition of claim 18 wherein each of R₄ to R₇ is independently -H or -SO₃T.
- 21. (NEW) The composition of claim 1 wherein Y_1 is selected from the group consisting of $-(CH_2)_nNHSO_3T$, $-CH_2^*(CH_2^*O-CH_2)_n-CH_2^*NH_2$, and $-(CH_2)_n-N(R_n)-(CH_2)_1-CO_2T$.
- 22. (NEW) The composition of claim 21 wherein each of R4 to R7 is independently -H or -SO3T.
- 23. (NEW) The composition of claim 1 wherein each of R₂ to R₂ is independently -H or -SO₃T.
- 24. (NEW) The composition of claim 1 wherein Y₁ is -(CH₂)_aNHSO₃T.
- 25. (NEW) The composition of claim 1 wherein Y₁ is -CH₂-(CH₂-O-CH₂)₀-CH₂-NH₂.
- 26. (NEW) The composition of claim 1 wherein Y₁ is -(CH₂)_h-N(R_a)-(CH₂)_i-CO₂T.